

UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION



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AFFECTED AIRCRAFT

This *revised* Unapproved Parts Notification clarifies the engine make and models numbers below.

American General: AA1A, AA1B, AA5A, AA5B

Beechcraft: 19A, 23A, 24R

Bellanca: 7GCAA, 7KCAB, 8GCBC, 8KCAB

Cessna: 150, 152, 172, 175, 177, 177RG, 180, 182, 206, 210, T206, T210, P210, 310, 320, 336, 337, P337, 401, 402, 411, 414, 421, 421B, 421C

Aerostar: 600 (PA-60-600), 601 (PA-60-601), 601P (PA-60-601P), 602P (PA-60-602P)

Mooney: M20(C, D, E, F, G), M20J (201), M20K (231)(232), M20M (TLS), M20R (OVATION)

Piper: PA24-180, 250, 260; PA28-140, 150; PA28-151, 161, 180, 181, 235; PA28-200R, 201T, 236, 236T, PA 30

Rockwell: 112-114, 112TC-114TC

PURPOSE

The purpose of this notification is to advise all aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, manufacturers, and parts distributors regarding aircraft seals produced without benefit of a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) production approval.

BACKGROUND

Information received during a FAA suspected unapproved parts investigation revealed that since 1995, GEE-BEE, 16 Flying F Dr., Palm Springs, CA 92263, had produced silicone baffle seals and landing gear door seal kits for installation on type-certificated aircraft. GEE-BEE does not hold any FAA production approval to produce the seals.

RECOMMENDATION

Regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. Aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, manufactures, and parts distributors should inspect their aircraft, aircraft records, and/or aircraft parts inventory for the above-referenced seals and kits. If any of the referenced seals are installed on type-certificated aircraft, appropriate action should be taken. If any of the seals are found in existing parts inventory, it is recommended that the seals or kits be quarantined to prevent installation until a determination can be made regarding each part's eligibility for installation.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information may be obtained from the FAA Manufacturing Inspection District Office (MIDO) given below. The FAA would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of the above-referenced parts from any source, the means used to identify the source, and the action taken to remove the parts from service.

This notice originated from the Los Angeles MIDO, 3960 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, CA 90712-4137, telephone (562) 627-5385; and was published through the FAA Suspected Unapproved Parts Program Office, AVR-20, telephone (703) 661-0581, fax (703) 661-0113.